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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS STATUTES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2010*) (a) The Department of
4 Economic and Community Development shall assume all
5 responsibilities of the Labor Department pursuant to any provision of
6 the general statutes. The transfer of functions, powers, duties,
7 obligations, including, but not limited to, contract obligations, the
8 continuance of orders and regulations, the effect upon pending actions
9 and proceedings, the completion of unfinished business, and the
10 transfer of records and property between the Labor Department, as
11 said department existed immediately prior to October 1, 2010, and the
12 Department of Economic and Community Development shall be

13 governed by the provisions of subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, and
14 subsection (f) of section 4-38d and sections 4-38e and 4-39 of the
15 general statutes.

16 (b) Wherever the term "Labor Department" is used or referred to in
17 any public or special acts, the term "Department of Economic and
18 Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

19 (c) Wherever the terms "Labor Commissioner" or "Commissioner of
20 Labor" are used or referred to in any public or special act, the term
21 "Commissioner of Economic and Community Development" shall be
22 substituted in lieu thereof.

23 (d) Any order or regulation of the Labor Department, which is in
24 force on October 1, 2010, shall continue in force and effect as an order
25 or regulation of the Department of Economic and Community
26 Development until amended, repealed or superseded pursuant to law.
27 Where any order or regulation of said departments conflict, the
28 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may
29 implement policies and procedures consistent with the provisions of
30 this act while in the process of adopting the policy or procedure in
31 regulation form, provided notice of intention to adopt regulations is
32 printed in the Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days of
33 implementation. The policy or procedure shall be valid until the time
34 final regulations are effective.

35 Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2010*) "Commissioner of
36 Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted for
37 "Labor Commissioner" or "Commissioner of Labor", and "Department
38 of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted for
39 "Labor Department" or "Department of Labor" in the following
40 sections of the general statutes: 3-60b, 3-123g, 4-31a, 4-61aa, 4-89, 4-
41 124w, 4-124bb, 4-186, 4a-59a, 4a-82, 4a-100, 4b-3, 5-241, 7-314a, 7-323s,
42 7-473c, 7-545, 8-47, 8-72a, 8-169d, 9-19b, 9-19h, 10-20a, 10-20b, 10-20c,
43 10-21c, 10a-19b, 10a-22b, 10a-72d, 10a-109n, 10a-151b, 12-21, 12-35, 12-
44 217g, 12-217y, 12-430, 13b-38t, 16-8d, 16a-103, 17a-453c, 17b-16, 17b-29,

45 17b-90, 17b-112, 17b-112e, 17b-179, 17b-297, 17b-610, 17b-688b, 17b-
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66 9j, 32-9p, 32-70, 32-80, 32-281, 32-475, 38a-456, 38a-537, 38a-1051, 46a-
67 28, 46a-72, 46a-81j, 46a-170, 46b-84, 46b-171, 46b-172, 46b-215, 46b-231,
68 51-222a, 52-362, 52-596 and 53a-157a.

69 Sec. 503. Section 4-5 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is
70 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
71 *October 1, 2010*):

72 As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head"
73 means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,
74 Commissioner of Administrative Services, Commissioner of Revenue
75 Services, Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and
76 Families, Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of
77 Correction, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,
78 State Board of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Management

79 and Homeland Security, Commissioner of Environmental Protection,
80 Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health,
81 Insurance Commissioner, [Labor Commissioner,] Liquor Control
82 Commission, Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services,
83 Commissioner of Public Safety, Commissioner of Social Services,
84 Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor
85 Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Public
86 Works, Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs, Chief Information Officer,
87 the chairperson of the Public Utilities Control Authority, the executive
88 director of the Board of Education and Services for the Blind, the
89 executive director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and
90 Tourism, and the executive director of the Office of Military Affairs. As
91 used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means the
92 Commissioner of Education.

93 Sec. 504. Section 4-38c of the general statutes is repealed and the
94 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

95 There shall be within the executive branch of state government the
96 following departments: Office of Policy and Management, Department
97 of Administrative Services, Department of Revenue Services,
98 Department of Banking, Department of Agriculture, Department of
99 Children and Families, Department of Consumer Protection,
100 Department of Correction, Department of Economic and Community
101 Development, State Board of Education, Department of Emergency
102 Management and Homeland Security, Department of Environmental
103 Protection, Department of Public Health, Board of Governors of
104 Higher Education, Insurance Department, [Labor Department,]
105 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of
106 Developmental Services, Department of Public Safety, Department of
107 Social Services, Department of Transportation, Department of Motor
108 Vehicles, Department of Veterans' Affairs, Department of Public
109 Works and Department of Public Utility Control.

110 Sec. 505. Subsection (a) of section 4-67x of the 2010 supplement to
111 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

112 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

113 (a) There shall be a Child Poverty and Prevention Council consisting
114 of the following members or their designees: The Secretary of the
115 Office of Policy and Management, the president pro tempore of the
116 Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority
117 leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of
118 Representatives, the Commissioners of Children and Families, Social
119 Services, Correction, Developmental Services, Mental Health and
120 Addiction Services, Transportation, Public Health, Education,
121 Economic and Community Development and Health Care Access, [the
122 Labor Commissioner,] the Chief Court Administrator, the chairperson
123 of the Board of Governors of Higher Education, the Child Advocate,
124 the chairperson of the Children's Trust Fund Council and the executive
125 directors of the Commission on Children and the Commission on
126 Human Rights and Opportunities. The Secretary of the Office of Policy
127 and Management, or the secretary's designee, shall be the chairperson
128 of the council. The council shall (1) develop and promote the
129 implementation of a ten-year plan, to begin June 8, 2004, to reduce the
130 number of children living in poverty in the state by fifty per cent, and
131 (2) within available appropriations, establish prevention goals and
132 recommendations and measure prevention service outcomes in
133 accordance with this section in order to promote the health and well-
134 being of children and families.

135 Sec. 506. Subsection (a) of section 4-124z of the general statutes is
136 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
137 *October 1, 2010*):

138 (a) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness, [the Labor
139 Commissioner,] the Commissioners of Economic and Community
140 Development, Education and Social Services, the Secretary of the
141 Office of Policy and Management and the Chancellor of the regional
142 community-technical colleges, in consultation with the superintendent
143 of the vocational-technical school system and one member of industry
144 representing each of the economic clusters identified by the

145 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development pursuant to
146 section 32-1m shall (1) review, evaluate and, as necessary, recommend
147 improvements for certification and degree programs offered by the
148 vocational-technical school system and the community-technical
149 college system to ensure that such programs meet the employment
150 needs of business and industry, and (2) develop strategies to
151 strengthen the linkage between skill standards for education and
152 training and the employment needs of business and industry.

153 Sec. 507. Subsection (b) of section 4-124ff of the general statutes is
154 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
155 *October 1, 2010*):

156 (b) There is established a Council of Advisors on Strategies for the
157 Knowledge Economy to promote the formation of university-industry
158 partnerships, identify benchmarks for technology-based workforce
159 innovation and competitiveness and advise the award process (1) for
160 innovation challenge grants to public postsecondary schools and their
161 business partners, and (2) grants under section 4-124hh. The council
162 shall be chaired by the director of the Office of Workforce
163 Competitiveness and shall include the Secretary of the Office of Policy
164 and Management, the Commissioners of Economic and Community
165 Development and Higher Education, [the Labor Commissioner,] the
166 executive directors of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated and the
167 Connecticut Development Authority and four representatives from the
168 technology industry, one of whom shall be appointed by the president
169 pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be appointed by the
170 speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be
171 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate and one of whom shall
172 be appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.

173 Sec. 508. Subsection (a) of section 4-124uu of the general statutes is
174 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
175 *October 1, 2010*):

176 (a) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness, in consultation with

177 [the Labor Commissioner,] the Commissioners of Education and
178 Economic and Community Development [,] and the Connecticut
179 Commission on Culture and Tourism, shall establish a program that is
180 designed to develop a trained workforce for the film industry in the
181 state. Such program shall have three components: (1) An unpaid intern
182 training program for high school and college students; (2) a production
183 assistant training program open to any state resident; and (3) a
184 workforce training program that would include classroom training,
185 on-set training and a mentor program.

186 Sec. 509. Subsection (a) of section 10-20d of the general statutes is
187 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
188 *October 1, 2010*):

189 (a) The Commissioner of Education, in consultation with [the Labor
190 Commissioner and] the Commissioners of Economic and Community
191 Development and Higher Education, shall, within the limits of
192 available appropriations, provide grants to postsecondary institutions,
193 regional workforce development boards, regional educational service
194 centers and other appropriate agencies and organizations to support
195 the development of educators administering programs leading to a
196 Connecticut career certificate pursuant to section 10-20a.

197 Sec. 510. Section 10-95h of the general statutes is repealed and the
198 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

199 There is established a state-wide advisory committee, which shall
200 meet at least semiannually, to (1) identify emerging state and national
201 workforce needs and trade technology programs for the regional
202 vocational-technical school system to meet such needs; (2) identify the
203 workforce skills that will be needed for the next thirty years and
204 ensure that the curriculum of the regional vocational-technical school
205 system is incorporating such skills into the regional vocational-
206 technical schools; (3) ensure that all students who graduate from the
207 regional vocational-technical school system have communication,
208 leadership, teamwork and problem-solving skills, in addition to

209 expertise in a trade technology; (4) assess the adequacy of the
210 resources available to the regional vocational-technical school system
211 as the system develops and refines programs to meet existing and
212 emerging workforce needs; and (5) advise and make recommendations
213 to the State Board of Education to carry out the provisions of
214 subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this section. The committee shall
215 consist of nineteen members as follows: (A) Two appointed by the
216 speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be representatives
217 of business, holding the title of chief executive officer, president, chief
218 operating officer or the equivalents thereof, drawn from key industry,
219 service and manufacturing firms with five hundred or more full-time
220 employees; (B) two appointed by the president pro tempore of the
221 Senate, one of whom shall be a representative of business, holding the
222 title of chief executive officer, president, chief operating officer or the
223 equivalents thereof, drawn from key industry, service and
224 manufacturing firms with five hundred or more full-time employees
225 and one of whom shall be a teacher in the regional vocational-technical
226 school system; (C) one appointed by the majority leader of the House
227 of Representatives who shall be a representative of business, holding
228 the title of chief executive officer, president, chief operating officer or
229 the equivalents thereof, drawn from key industry, service and
230 manufacturing firms with more than fifty, but fewer than five hundred
231 full-time employees; (D) one appointed by the majority leader of the
232 Senate who shall be a representative of business, holding the title of
233 chief executive officer, president, chief operating officer or the
234 equivalents thereof, drawn from key industry, service and
235 manufacturing firms with more than fifty, but fewer than five hundred
236 full-time employees; (E) one appointed by the minority leader of the
237 House of Representatives who shall be a representative of business,
238 holding the title of chief executive officer, president, chief operating
239 officer or the equivalents thereof, drawn from key industry, service
240 and manufacturing firms with more than fifty, but fewer than five
241 hundred full-time employees; (F) one appointed by the minority leader
242 of the Senate who shall be a representative of business, holding the
243 title of chief executive officer, president, chief operating officer or the

244 equivalents thereof, drawn from key industry, service and
245 manufacturing firms with fifty or fewer full-time employees; (G) two
246 persons appointed by the Governor who shall be representatives of
247 business, holding the title of chief executive officer, president, chief
248 operating officer or the equivalents thereof, drawn from key industry,
249 service and manufacturing firms with fifty or fewer full-time
250 employees; (H) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's
251 designee; (I) [the Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;
252 (J)] the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or
253 the commissioner's designee; [(K)] (J) a representative from the Office
254 of Workforce Competitiveness; [(L)] (K) the chairperson of the State
255 Board of Education, or the chairperson's designee; and [(M)] (L) the
256 cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee
257 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
258 education. The committee membership shall reflect the state's
259 geographic, racial and ethnic diversity.

260 Sec. 511. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-11b of the
261 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
262 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

263 (2) The following persons shall serve as ex-officio nonvoting
264 members on the commission: (A) The Commissioners of Higher
265 Education, Education and Economic and Community Development,
266 [and the Labor Commissioner,] or their designees; (B) the chairpersons
267 of the boards of trustees and the chief executive officers of each
268 constituent unit of the state system of higher education, or their
269 designees; (C) the chairperson of the board and president of the
270 Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges, or their designees;
271 (D) the director of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness, or the
272 director's designee; (E) the chairpersons and ranking members of the
273 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance
274 of matters relating to higher education and employment advancement;
275 and (F) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the
276 secretary's designee.

277 Sec. 512. Section 10a-12a of the general statutes is repealed and the
278 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

279 There shall be a Technical Education Coordinating Council. The
280 council shall consist of the following members: The chairpersons and
281 ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General
282 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and
283 commerce, or their designees; the Commissioners of Higher Education
284 and Economic and Community Development, [and the Labor
285 Commissioner] or their designees; the chief executive officers of each
286 constituent unit of the state system of higher education, or their
287 designees; the president of the Connecticut Conference of Independent
288 Colleges; the superintendent of the vocational-technical school system;
289 one member who is a teacher at a regional vocational-technical school
290 designated by the exclusive representative of the vocational-technical
291 school teachers' bargaining unit; two members who are parents of
292 students enrolled in vocational-technical schools designated by the
293 vocational-technical schools parents' association; one member
294 representing each of the economic clusters identified pursuant to
295 section 32-1m designated by the Commissioner of Economic and
296 Community Development; one member designated by the Connecticut
297 Business and Industry Association; one member designated by the
298 Manufacturing Assistance Council; and one member designated by the
299 Connecticut Technology Council. The cochairpersons of the joint
300 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
301 matters relating to education, or their designees, shall jointly convene a
302 meeting of the council not later than October 1, 1998. The council shall
303 meet at least six times a year to review and evaluate the coordinated
304 delivery of technical and technological education to meet the
305 employment needs of business and industry. The council shall also
306 explore ways to: (1) Encourage students to pursue technical careers,
307 including the development or expansion of alternative training
308 methods that may improve the delivery and accessibility of vocational-
309 technical training; (2) ensure a successful transition for students from
310 the regional vocational-technical schools to post secondary education;

311 and (3) improve public awareness regarding manufacturing careers.
312 On or before January 1, 1999, and annually thereafter, the
313 Commissioner of Education shall report, in accordance with section 11-
314 4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
315 cognizance of matters relating to education and commerce on the
316 activities of the council in the prior year.

317 Sec. 513. Section 10a-72c of the general statutes is repealed and the
318 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

319 There is established a council to advise the Board of Trustees of the
320 Community-Technical Colleges in the performance of its statutory
321 functions relating to technical and technological education. The council
322 shall consist of: (1) The Commissioner of Economic and Community
323 Development, [and the Labor Commissioner,] (2) one technical or
324 technological education faculty member from each of the community-
325 technical colleges appointed by the chief executive officer of each such
326 institution, (3) one technical or technological education student from
327 each of the community-technical colleges elected by the student body
328 of each such institution.

329 Sec. 514. Subsection (a) of section 12-217z of the general statutes is
330 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
331 *October 1, 2010*):

332 (a) There is established a Business Tax Credit and Tax Policy Review
333 Committee which shall be comprised of the following members: (1)
334 The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
335 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
336 relating to finance, revenue and bonding, or their designees; (2) one
337 member appointed by each of the following: The Governor, the
338 president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of
339 Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate, the majority leader
340 of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the House of
341 Representatives and the minority leader of the Senate; and (3) the
342 Commissioners of Revenue Services and Economic and Community

343 Development, [and the Labor Commissioner,] or their designees.

344 Sec. 515. Subsection (b) of section 31-3b of the general statutes is
345 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
346 *October 1, 2010*):

347 (b) The Labor Commissioner is authorized to establish an
348 interagency program coordinating committee to coordinate the
349 application of all available resources for the purposes of this section.
350 Said committee shall consist of representatives of various employment
351 and training agencies within the [Labor] Department of Economic and
352 Community Development and representatives of the Department of
353 Education, [and the Department of Economic and Community
354 Development.]

355 Sec. 516. Section 31-3c of the general statutes is repealed and the
356 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

357 The [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and Community
358 Development, with the approval of the [Commissioners of Economic
359 and Community Development and] Commissioner of Education, shall
360 establish a customized job training program for preemployment and
361 postemployment job training for the purpose of meeting the labor
362 requirements of manufacturing or economic base businesses, as
363 defined in subsection (l) of section 32-222, and shall implement such
364 job training program. Such job training program shall include training
365 designed to increase the basic skills of employees, including, but not
366 limited to, training in written and oral communication, mathematics or
367 science, or training in technical and technological skills. The Labor
368 Commissioner shall use funds appropriated to the Labor Department
369 for vocational and manpower training in carrying out such job training
370 program, except that not more than four per cent of such funds may be
371 used to pay the cost of its administration. Upon receipt of a request for
372 job training pursuant to this section, the Labor Commissioner shall
373 notify the chancellor of the regional community-technical colleges, or
374 his designee, of such request. The chancellor, or his designee, shall

determine if a training program exists or can be designed at a regional community-technical college to meet such training need and shall notify the Labor Commissioner of such determination. The Labor Commissioner shall to the extent possible make arrangements for the participation of the regional community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State University System, other institutions of higher education, other postsecondary institutions, adult education programs, opportunities industrialization centers and state regional vocational-technical schools in implementing the program. Nothing in this section shall preclude the Labor Commissioner from considering or choosing other providers to meet such training need. Nothing in this section shall preclude an employer from considering or choosing other providers to meet the training needs of such employer, provided the Labor Commissioner approves such employer's use of such other providers. For the period from July 1, 1996, to June 30, 1999, the Labor Commissioner, or his designee, the chancellor of the community-technical colleges and the chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education shall meet semiannually to review actions taken pursuant to this section and section 32-6j.

Sec. 517. Section 31-3u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

(a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may allocate the funds authorized for the purposes of this section by subsection (b) of section 32-235 [to the Labor Commissioner] for the purpose of providing assistance to employers (1) for the job training or retraining of (A) current employees or (B) prospective employees in newly-created jobs and (2) including, but not limited to, meeting ISO 9000 quality standards. The [Labor Commissioner, upon the recommendation of the] Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, shall provide for such training or retraining through customized job training programs authorized under this chapter. The [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may use vouchers for the purposes of this subsection.

409 (b) The [Labor Commissioner and the] Commissioner of Economic
410 and Community Development shall [jointly] develop criteria for the
411 evaluation and assessment of the assistance provided under subsection
412 (a) of this section.

413 (c) The [Labor Commissioner, in consultation with the]
414 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, shall
415 submit an annual report to the joint standing committees of the
416 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the
417 Department of Economic and Community Development [and the
418 Labor Department] on the assistance provided under subsection (a) of
419 this section.

420 Sec. 518. Section 31-3w of the general statutes is repealed and the
421 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

422 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
423 [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in
424 exercise of any duties including any duties as administrator under
425 chapter 567, shall, within available resources, maintain a state-wide
426 network of job centers which provide to workers, students and
427 employers comprehensive workforce development assistance,
428 including, but not limited to, the following:

429 (1) Unemployment compensation, retraining allowances and other
430 forms of federal and state income support;

431 (2) Career, labor market, educational and job training information,
432 and consumer reports on local training providers;

433 (3) Career planning and job search assistance;

434 (4) Applicant recruitment and screening, assessment of training
435 needs, customized job training pursuant to this chapter, apprenticeship
436 programs pursuant to chapter 557 and related consultative services to
437 employers based on their employment needs;

438 (5) Eligibility determinations and referrals to providers of

439 employment and training services; and

440 (6) Access to information regarding job openings and, where
441 appropriate, referral to such openings.

442 (b) In carrying out responsibilities under this section, the
443 commissioner shall:

444 (1) Collaborate with the Connecticut Employment and Training
445 Commission established pursuant to section 31-3h and the regional
446 workforce development boards established pursuant to section 31-3k;

447 (2) Promote coordination of service delivery and collaboration with
448 other public and private providers of education, human services and
449 employment and training services, including, but not limited to, adult
450 education and literacy providers;

451 [(3) Consult with the Commissioner of Economic and Community
452 Development to ensure coordination of service delivery to employers;]

453 [(4)] (3) Conduct outreach to employers and trade associations to
454 ensure that services meet the needs of business and industry; and

455 [(5)] (4) Develop a comprehensive job training assistance application
456 for employer-based training services and programs that allows the
457 applicant to apply for any such assistance offered by the state in one
458 application.

459 Sec. 519. Section 31-3dd of the general statutes is repealed and the
460 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

461 The Connecticut Employment and Training Commission, in
462 consultation with [the Labor Department,] the Department of
463 Economic and Community Development and the regional workforce
464 development boards, shall recommend to the Office of Policy and
465 Management and the joint standing committee of the General
466 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations,
467 budget targets for assisting state employers with their training needs.

468 Sec. 520. Subsection (a) of section 31-3ll of the general statutes is
469 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
470 *October 1, 2010*):

471 (a) The [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and Community
472 Development, in consultation with [the Commissioner of Economic
473 and Community Development and] the Commissioner of Education,
474 shall, within available appropriations, establish and operate the
475 Twenty-First Century Skills Training Program, the purposes of which
476 shall be to: (1) Sustain high growth occupation and economically vital
477 industries identified by such commissioners; and (2) assist workers in
478 obtaining skills to start or move up their career ladders. Such job
479 training program may include training designed to increase the basic
480 skills of employees, including, but not limited to, training in written
481 and oral communication, mathematics or science, or training in
482 technical and technological skills and such other training as such
483 commissioners determine is necessary to meet the needs of the
484 employer. No more than five per cent of the appropriation for the
485 program may be used for administrative purposes.

486 Sec. 521. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 31-11cc of the
487 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
488 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

489 (2) The ex-officio nonvoting members shall consist of the following
490 members, or their designees: The Commissioners of Correction,
491 Education, Higher Education, Economic and Community
492 Development and Social Services, [the Labor Commissioner,] the
493 director of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness, the Secretary of
494 the Office of Policy and Management, the chancellor of the regional
495 community-technical colleges and the State Librarian.

496 Sec. 522. Subsection (b) of section 31-11dd of the general statutes is
497 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
498 *October 1, 2010*):

499 (b) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness, in accordance with

500 subsection (c) of section 4-124w, may request other state agencies,
501 including, but not limited to, the Departments of Education, Higher
502 Education, Economic and Community Development and Social
503 Services, [the Labor Department,] and the Board of Trustees of the
504 Community-Technical Colleges to provide information, reports and
505 other assistance to the board in carrying out its duties, pursuant to
506 subsection (a) of this section and sections 31-11cc and 31-11ee, and to
507 the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission in carrying
508 out its duties pursuant to subsection (d) of this section.

509 Sec. 523. Section 31-386 of the general statutes is repealed and the
510 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

511 When used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

512 (a) ["Commissioners"] "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of
513 Economic and Community Development; [and the Labor
514 Commissioner;]

515 (b) "Unemployment rate" means the rate of unemployment within
516 any labor market area in the state as determined by the [Labor]
517 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development by
518 computing the percentage of the work force within such labor market
519 area which was unemployed during the month of March, 1975;

520 (c) "Eligible municipality" means any municipality with an
521 unemployment rate equal to or greater than seven per cent of its work
522 force in March, 1975, as certified by the [Labor] Commissioner of
523 Economic and Community Development;

524 (d) "Eligible labor market area" means a labor market area, as
525 determined by the [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and
526 Community Development, with an unemployment rate equal to or
527 greater than seven per cent of its work force in March, 1975, as certified
528 by said [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and Community
529 Development; and

530 (e) "Emergency municipal public works employment project" means
531 any municipal public works project considered by said
532 [commissioners] commissioner for state financial assistance under this
533 chapter.

534 Sec. 524. Subsection (a) of section 31-389 of the general statutes is
535 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
536 *October 1, 2010*):

537 (a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the commissioners,
538 and with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
539 Management, may enter into a contract with an eligible municipality
540 for state financial assistance for any eligible emergency municipal
541 public works employment project in the form of a grant to such
542 eligible municipality. Any such grant shall be in an amount not in
543 excess of the cost of the project for which such grant is made, as
544 determined and approved by [the Labor Commissioner and] the
545 Commissioners of Economic and Community Development and
546 Administrative Services. In accordance with any such contract, the
547 state may make temporary advances to such municipality for the cost
548 of such project.

549 Sec. 525. Section 31-390 of the general statutes is repealed and the
550 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

551 (a) The [Labor Commissioner and the] Commissioners of Economic
552 and Community Development and Public Works shall have the right
553 of inspection of any such project at any time.

554 (b) The [Labor Commissioner and the] Commissioners of Economic
555 and Community Development and Public Works and the Secretary of
556 the Office of Policy and Management are authorized to make orders,
557 establish guidelines and adopt regulations under the provisions of
558 chapter 54 with respect to the implementation of this chapter.

559 (c) At the request of the commissioners, any agency or department
560 of the executive branch shall advise and assist the commissioners in

561 the implementation of this chapter.

562 Sec. 526. Subsection (a) of section 32-1o of the 2010 supplement to
563 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
564 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

565 (a) On or before July 1, 2009, and every five years thereafter, the
566 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, within
567 available appropriations, shall prepare an economic strategic plan for
568 the state in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
569 Management, the Commissioners of Environmental Protection and
570 Transportation, [the Labor Commissioner,] the executive directors of
571 the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the Connecticut
572 Development Authority, the Connecticut Innovations, Inc., the
573 Commission on Culture and Tourism and the Connecticut Health and
574 Educational Facilities Authority, and the president of the Office of
575 Workforce Competitiveness, or their respective designees, and any
576 other agencies the Commissioner of Economic and Community
577 Development deems appropriate.

578 Sec. 527. Subsection (a) of section 32-6i of the general statutes is
579 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
580 *October 1, 2010*):

581 (a) There is established the Connecticut Economic Information
582 System Steering Committee. The committee shall consist of the
583 following members: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and
584 Management, the Secretary of the State, the executive director of the
585 office of the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, the State
586 Librarian [, the Labor Commissioner] and the Commissioners of
587 Economic and Community Development, Revenue Services, Higher
588 Education, and Education, or their designees, and (2) six members
589 appointed as follows: One by the president pro tempore of the Senate,
590 who shall represent regional planning organizations; one by the
591 majority leader of the Senate, who shall represent academic
592 institutions; one by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall

593 represent private businesses; one by the speaker of the House of
594 Representatives, who shall represent public libraries; one by the
595 majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall represent
596 the staff of the State Occupational Information Coordinating
597 Committee; and one by the minority leader of the House of
598 Representatives, who shall represent municipalities. The
599 cochairpersons of the committee shall be the Secretary of the Office of
600 Policy and Management and the Labor Commissioner until October 1,
601 1994. Thereafter, the cochairpersons shall be elected by the
602 membership for terms of two years.

603 Sec. 528. Section 32-6j of the general statutes is repealed and the
604 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

605 In the assessment and provision of job training for employers, [the
606 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and] the
607 executive director of the Connecticut Development Authority shall
608 request the assistance of the [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and
609 Community Development. Upon receipt of a request for job training
610 pursuant to this section, the [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and
611 Community Development shall notify the chancellor of the regional
612 community-technical colleges, or his designee, of such request. The
613 chancellor, or his designee, shall determine if a training program exists
614 or can be designed at a regional community-technical college to meet
615 such training need and shall notify the [Labor] Commissioner of
616 Economic and Community Development of such determination. The
617 [Labor] Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
618 shall to the extent possible make arrangements for the participation of
619 the regional community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State
620 University System, other institutions of higher education, other
621 postsecondary institutions, adult education programs and state
622 regional vocational-technical schools in implementing the program.
623 Nothing in this section shall preclude the [Labor] Commissioner of
624 Economic and Community Development from considering or choosing
625 other providers to meet such training need.

626 Sec. 529. Subsection (c) of section 32-23ww of the general statutes is
627 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
628 *October 1, 2010*):

629 (c) There is established a grant program to be administered by the
630 commissioner [, in consultation with the Labor Commissioner,] for the
631 purpose of awarding grants under section 32-327 to agencies seeking
632 to contract for educational and job placement assistance for displaced
633 defense workers. The grant program shall be administered in a manner
634 consistent with the state work force development plan and the job
635 training plan of the regional work force development board
636 established pursuant to section 31-3k in each region seeking a grant
637 under such grant program.

638 Sec. 530. Section 32-59 of the general statutes is repealed and the
639 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

640 There is established within the Department of Economic and
641 Community Development a defense readjustment task force which
642 shall consist of the Commissioner of Economic and Community
643 Development [and the Labor Commissioner] and the Secretary of the
644 Office of Policy and Management, or their designees. The
645 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall serve
646 as chairman. The defense readjustment task force shall advise and
647 assist the Governor and the Department of Economic and Community
648 Development with respect to economic planning for any municipality
649 or region which is or may be severely impacted by prime defense
650 contract cutbacks. The defense readjustment task force shall design
651 procedures for expedient and effective aid to businesses and their
652 employees that are severely impacted by prime defense contract
653 cutbacks. Such procedures shall include, but not be limited to: (1)
654 Expediting unemployment claims; (2) finding alternative employment
655 for affected employees; (3) recommending priority in such state
656 assistance as job training programs; and (4) technical assistance. The
657 procedures developed by the defense readjustment task force may be
658 implemented at the direction of the Governor.

659 Sec. 531. Subsection (b) of section 32-245 of the general statutes is
660 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
661 *October 1, 2010*):

662 (b) The commission shall consist of the following members: The
663 Commissioners of Economic and Community Development, Education
664 and Higher Education, [and the Labor Commissioner] or their
665 designees; the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
666 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
667 relating to commerce and exportation, or their designees; the president
668 of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering, or his
669 designee; the president of the Connecticut Business and Industries
670 Association or his designee; the president of the Connecticut AFL-CIO
671 or his designee; one member representing a large manufacturing
672 concern and one member representing a financial institution,
673 appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; one member
674 representing a large business that is heavily dependent on prime
675 defense contracts or subcontracts and one member representing a
676 small business that is heavily dependent on prime defense contracts or
677 subcontracts appointed by the speaker of the House of
678 Representatives; one member representing a small manufacturing
679 concern appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; one member
680 representing a large service-related business appointed by the majority
681 leader of the House of Representatives; one member representing a
682 small service-related business appointed by the minority leader of the
683 Senate; and one member representing an educational institution
684 appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives. The
685 members who are not serving ex-officio shall serve for a term of two
686 years, commencing July 1, 1990, and biennially thereafter, and until
687 their successors have been duly qualified. The Governor shall appoint
688 a chairperson for the commission from its membership.

689 Sec. 532. Subsection (a) of section 32-290a of the general statutes is
690 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
691 *October 1, 2010*):

692 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,
693 in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, [and the
694 Labor Commissioner,] may establish, within available appropriations,
695 an entrepreneurial training program for the purpose of training and
696 preparing former recipients of temporary family assistance, general
697 assistance, state-administered general assistance and aid to families
698 with dependent children, ex-offenders and high school drop-outs for
699 self-employment and entrepreneurial opportunities.

700 Sec. 533. Section 32-479 of the general statutes is repealed and the
701 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

702 Not later than July 1, 1996, the Commissioner of Economic and
703 Community Development, the Labor Commissioner, the Connecticut
704 Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated
705 shall jointly develop goals and objectives and quantifiable outcome
706 measures related to the percentage of financial assistance which is
707 being provided to high performance work organizations. The [Labor]
708 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the
709 Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations,
710 Incorporated shall submit an annual report concerning such goals,
711 objectives and measures to the joint standing committee of the General
712 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and public
713 employees and the joint standing committee having cognizance of
714 matters relating to commerce.

715 Sec. 534. Section 32-480 of the general statutes is repealed and the
716 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

717 The Department of Economic and Community Development, [the
718 Labor Department,] the Connecticut Development Authority and
719 Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated shall, when appropriate,
720 encourage persons, firms and corporations which contact said
721 departments or authorities for financial assistance to utilize high
722 performance work practices in their business operations."